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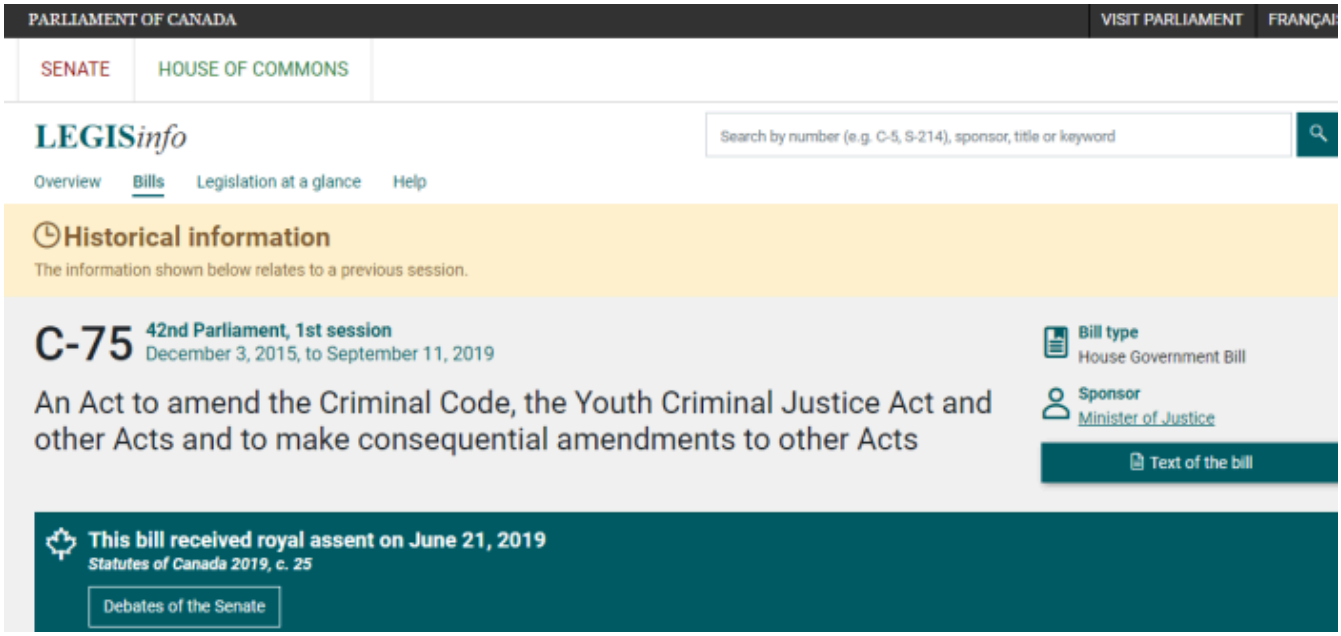
Bill C-75: Removing Prohibition On “Misinformation” From Criminal Code (Reminder)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C-75
42nd Parliament, 1st session
December 3, 2015, to September 11, 2019
An Act to amend the Criminal Code, the Youth Criminal Justice Act and other Acts and to make consequential amendments to other Acts
Bill type
House Government Bill
Sponsor
Minister of Justice
Text of the bill
This bill received royal assent on June 21, 2019
Statutes of Canada 2019, c. 25
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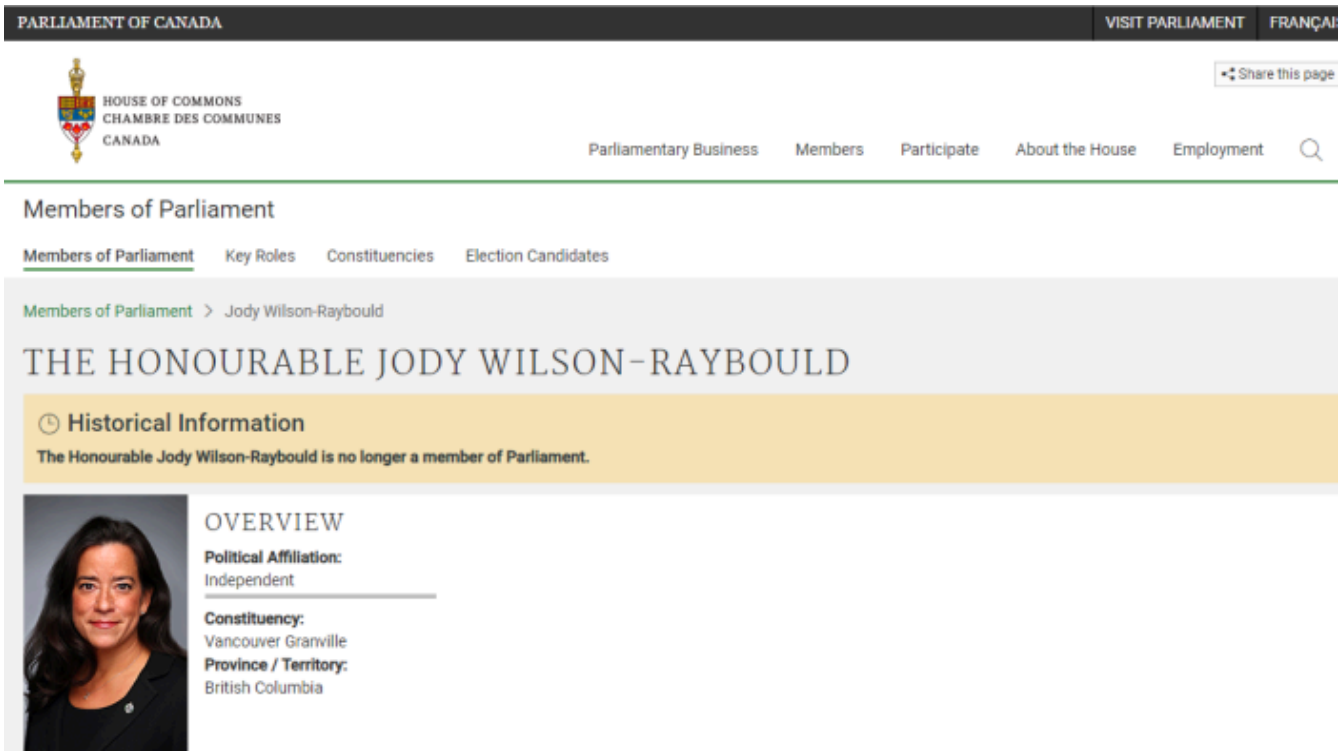


Bill C-75 has been covered a few times before. There was the watering down of penalties for terrorism offences, child sex offences, and the NGOs who were pushing this degeneracy. That said, this piece of work isn’t finished revealing all of its dirty secrets.

Supposedly, this was in response to a 1992 Supreme Court of Canada ruling. Seems pretty strange to deal with it nearly 30 years later.

At the time of this Bill, Jody Wilson-Raybould was the Minister of Justice. Absurdly, she hailed as a “hero” for standing up to Trudeau on SNC Lavalin, despite advancing all kinds of horrible legislation he was responsible for. Seems that her entire profile didn’t matter.

61 (1) The portion of subsection 180(1) of the Act before paragraph (a) is replaced by the following:

Common nuisance

180 (1) Every person is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to imprisonment for a term of not more than two years or is guilty of an offence punishable on summary conviction who commits a common nuisance and by doing so

(2) The portion of subsection 180(1) of the English version of the Act after paragraph (b) is repealed.

62 Section 181 of the Act is repealed.

63 (1) The portion of section 182 of the Act before paragraph (a) is replaced by the following:

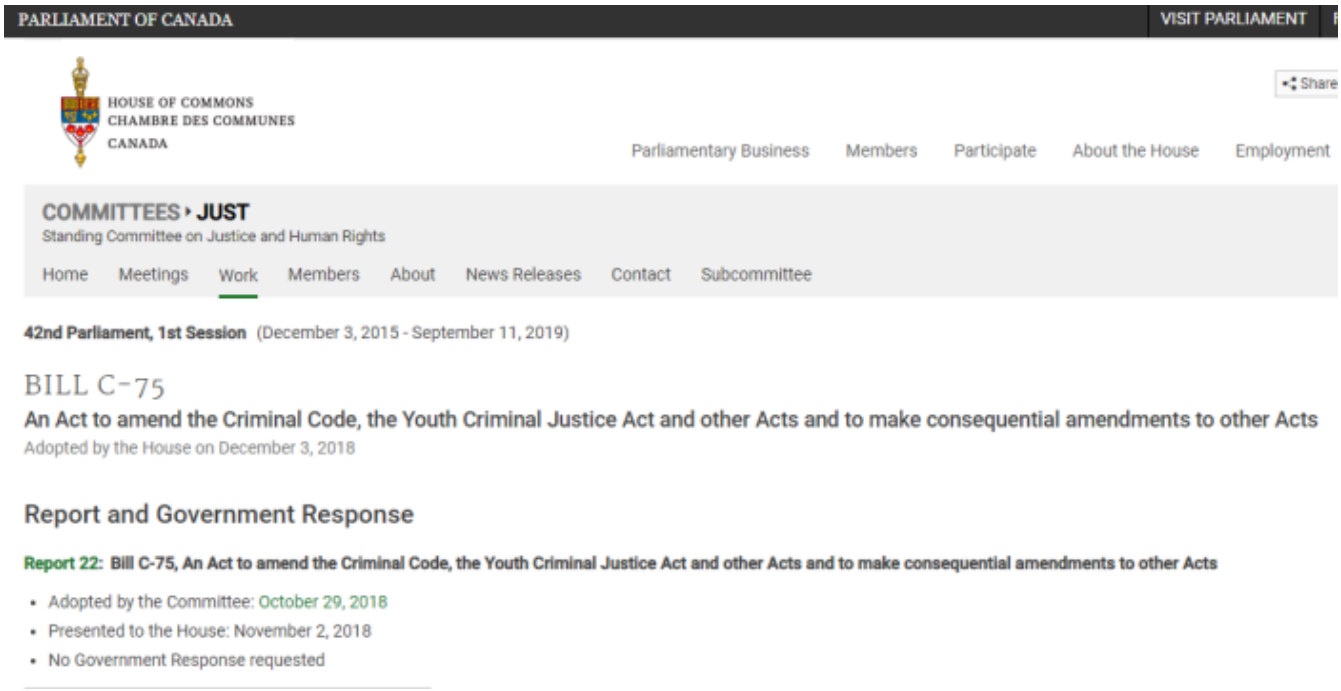
Dead body

182 Every person is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to imprisonment for a term of not more than five years or is guilty of an offence punishable on summary conviction who

(2) The portion of section 182 of the English version of the Act after paragraph (b) is repealed.

63.1 Subparagraph (a)(xxxiv) of the definition *offence* in section 183 of the Act is repealed.

64 Subsection 184(1) of the Act is replaced by the following: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BILL C-75
An Act to amend the Criminal Code, the Youth Criminal Justice Act and other Acts and to make consequential amendments to other Acts
Adopted by the House on December 3, 2018
Report and Government Response
Report 22: Bill C-75, An Act to amend the Criminal Code, the Youth Criminal Justice Act and other Acts and to make consequential amendments to other Acts
Adopted by the Committee: October 29, 2018
Presented to the House: November 2, 2018
No Government Response requested

But thanks to a provision slipped into that Bill, it will no longer be a criminal offence to knowingly spread lies with the intent of causing harm or mischief. While this “appears” to be a win for free speech advocates, the timing is suspicious, considering what would come in 2020.

This is what Section 181 of the criminal code used to say. It has since been repealed, and taken off the books, at least for the time being.

> Spreading false news
> 181 Every one who ***wilfully publishes a statement, tale or news that he knows is false and that causes or is likely to cause injury or mischief to a public interest*** is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years.
> R.S., c. C-34, s. 177

While Bill C-75 did go through Parliamentary study, it doesn’t appear as if this single line was examined at all. Perhaps people were more concerned with reduced penalties for terrorists.

This is not the only time this sort of thing has been buried in larger Bills. Another recent example was pulling Government oversight with the Human Pathogens and Toxins Act, Quarantine Act. This was done by embedding it into a budget.

Of course, in early 2020, Ottawa proposed its own version of “misinformation” laws. Thankfully, those seem to have gone nowhere.

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Good coverage of the hidden provisions LOL. I keep thinking: “If everything is on the up and up, why are they hidings so much and trying to slip things through unnoticed?”. It makes me very suspicious and I’m a paranoid mofo to begin with. This is NOT helping my mental health issues LMAO.